

heavenly flesh Christology for soteriology, ethics, and the sacraments, as well as for ecclesiology, in the thought of Melchior Hoffman, Menno Simons, and subsequent Mennonite theology.

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Die Kirche in ihrer Geschichte. Volume 3, Zwingli und die schweizerische Reformation. By GOTTFRIED W. LOCHER. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 1982. 100 pp.

This book is an exceptionally concise presentation of issues and literature related to the Zwinglian Reformation. It is essentially a summary of the author's *Die Zwinglische Reformation in Rahmen der europäischen Kirchengeschichte*. Major themes include Zwingli, Switzerland in the sixteenth century, the farmers' movement, the Täufer, Bern, Swiss reform outside Zurich, West Switzerland before Calvin, Bullinger and late Zwinglianism, and chief themes of the German-Swiss Reformation. Of particular interest are the treatment of the role of the disputations in Zurich, Bern in the Reformation, and the chapter on Zwingli's theology, an analysis of that topic based on Zwingli's *Exposition*.

The weaknesses are primarily those of a handbook. It is too concise and is consequently superficial. The section on the Täufer is lamentable. English language scholarship is slighted. Occasionally, judgments of the author are put forward as fact, as in his assessment of the relative significance of the Zurich Disputations. The specialist will want to consult other works rather than this one.

German students will find this booklet useful as they study for exams. Others who have interest in knowing what Professor Locher, the dean of Zwingli studies, thinks about the Swiss Reformation in a nutshell will read this with interest.

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John Calvin: His Influence in the Western World. Edited by W. STANFORD REID. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1982. 415 pp. \$10.95.

This festschrift, in honor of Paul Woolley (*not* Wooley), covers an area which, one contributor notes, has already been well documented (p. 13). A few chapters are thematic, but most chapters trace the development of Calvinism in individual nations. Like most festschriften, the quality of the chapters is uneven. Creativity and sound use of primary sources distinguish R. T. Kendall's chapter "The Puritan Modification of Calvin's Theology." Kálmán D. Tóth's careful and up-to-date introduction to "The Helvetic